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Fall is quickly approaching and with it a host of Town sponsored events. The 166th annual Four Town Fair will be held September 16th through the 19th at the permanent fair ground on Egypt Road in Somers. Started in 1838 as a cattle show in Somersville; this is one of oldest continuous fairs in Connecticut. Over the years it was expanded to include tractor and horse pulls, exhibits and a midway with rides and other attractions. Many residents from East Windsor exhibit their farm products and handicrafts.

Town Updates:

Our sixth annual Fall Festival will be held September 25th at Reservoir Park. This years events will include a car show, live bands and a petting zoo. Our Park & Recreation Department has worked very hard to make this event a success and I urge you all to attend.

On October 2nd, the members of the American Heritage River Commission will sponsor the 8th annual Source to Sea Cleanup. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please call my office. This is a fun day and participants leave feeling a sense of accomplishment.

On October 31st, the **Warehouse Point Fire Department's** annual **Halloween Party** will be held at the annex with a costume parade beginning the evening's events. Come join in or just watch and be sure to vote for your favorite character. This is a yearly tradition and a wonderful way to be sure our young people are safe on Halloween.

Our fifth annual 5K-road race sponsored by the East Windsor Veteran Commission will follow traditional Veteran's Day observances held at the Town Hall on November 8th. The proceeds from this race are used to provide scholarships for the children and grandchildren of veterans. Race applications can be downloaded from the Town web site @ www.eastwindsorct.gov.

The past summer has been extremely busy, as we have been working to either initiate or complete several projects within the Town. We

have finally received state approval for the expansion of sewer lines along Route 5 north of Bridge Street. This project is scheduled to begin this fall and will both alleviate septic problems for residents in the area and allow for additional commercial expansion. On another note you may be surprised to learn that 41% of East Windsor's tax base is comprised of commercial and industrial properties making us 15th in the state.

We have several other infrastructure projects currently in process. Construction at Spring Village is underway and in addition to new sidewalks, many of the units there will be renovated. Phase II of the Warehouse Point community improvements including Dean Avenue, should begin in late fall. This project has been held up pending approval from DEP. Last but not least, Park Hill will begin renovations and expansion of the Community Hall in the spring. All of these projects were funded with state and federal grant money with the Town assuming less than 10% of the cost.

As you may be aware the big news of the summer was the purchase of the Kogut property on Reservoir Road. This piece consists of 152 acres and will not only meet the future needs of the Town for recreation but is suitable for schools and other public buildings as well. I am grateful to our residents for coming out and supporting this proposal as it truly is an investment in the future of our Town.

After many public hearings and much work, the Planning and Zoning Commission has adopted a **Comprehensive Plan of Development.** This document will serve as a guide for future development and help us determine community facility and infrastructure needs. Copies are available at the Town Hall.

As always, a special thank you to the many volunteers who make our community such a great place to live and a civic reminder to register by October 19th and vote in our Presidential Election on November 2nd.

Linda Roberts, First Selectman

Town Hall 11 Rye Street

Broad Brook, CT. 06016

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EAST WINDSOR RESIDENTIAL POSTAL PATRON

Community Corner

East Windsor Lions Club:

Do you know an East Windsor Resident who has a disability and is physical challenged or has special needs? PLEASE READ



The Lions Club is looking for an East Windsor resident, adult or child who could use a canine companion for inde-

pendence (an assistance service dog). With a dog most things are possible. You can give them a series of commands and these dogs will follow them in the order given. If you, a family member or friend is limited by a disability and has special needs, call 623-5327 for more information.

E. W. Lions Annual Turkey Shot:

Starting October 17 - November 21 (every Sunday) the Lions will be having it's Turkey Shot on Route 140 across from the Trolley Museum. Time 9:00 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call 292-6848 for more information.

Marilyn Butenkoff, Lions Club

E.W. Veterans Day 5k Road Race:



The Veterans Day 5k Road Race will be held on Sat., Nov. 6th, beginning at the East Windsor Town Hall at

10:00 a.m. sharp. The day's schedule is as follows; 8:00 a.m. number pickup and late registration, 9:30 a.m. Veterans' Day memorial service, 10:00 a.m. race begins, 10:45 a.m. awards and refreshments at Town Hall.

Race fees are; ages 0 - 17, \$6.00 up to and including race day, ages 18 - 100, \$11.00 pre-registration, postmarked by Nov. 1st. \$15.00 after Nov. 1st and on race day. The course starts at Town Hall to Old Ellington Road, to Norton Road, to Deerfield Drive, to Omelia Road, to Rye Street back to Town Hall.

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the road race, whether you're a runner, walker or would like to volunteer to help out on race day. This race is a great warm-up for the Manchester Road Race on Thanksgiving Day.

Race Registration and sponsor forms are located at the Town Hall. Town Hall Annex or online at www.eastwindsorct-gov homepage.

Veterans' Commission

East Windsor Historical Society - Lecture Series

months of September and October.

High School in West Hartford, and ology Center and the Connecticut State

and the East Windsor Historic Com- toric Preservation Society of Connectimission will co-sponsor two lectures cut. The talk will provide an update of a tion will also be held at the Warehouse on historical preservation during the survey of East Windsor properties done Point Library beginning at 7 p.m. in the early 1990's.

On Monday, September 27th, histo- On Monday, October 25th, State Arrian Greg Andrews will give a pres- chaeologist Nick Bellantoni will disentation entitled "Historic Properties cuss "Laying Down the Law, a guidein East Windsor" at the Warehouse line to the preservation of East Windsor Point Library at 7 p.m. Mr. Andrews cultural resources." Dr. Bellantoni is Paul Scannell teaches high school history at Conard affiliated with the Connecticut Archae-

The East Windsor Historical Society was previously a consultant for the His- Museum of Natural History at the University of Connecticut. This presenta-

> Both of these lectures are open to the public and are free of charge. If there are any questions, please call 627-7871.

Barbara Smigiel

Scantic Academy Museum

The Scantic Academy Museum, 115 Scantic Road (Rt. 191) will be open from 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. every Saturday during the summer and fall.

From 1817 to 1870, the Academy provided higher education for area boys and boarders. It was then used as a meeting hall, district school, and apartments before becoming a museum of local history during the town's bicentennial in 1968. Displays include

America's first fossils, American Indian East Windsor Historical Society presiartifacts, early textile machinery, farm implements, weapons and uniforms from America's wars and other local memorabilia.

Recent donations to the collections include samples of wool items made at the Broad Brook Woolen Mill, old town school photographs, and farm implements. Parking and admission to the museum are free.

dent Michael Hunt said the society is actively seeking items related to local history. Volunteers to help with improvements at the property are also needed. Membership is open to anyone interested in preserving the town's heritage. Visit

http://eastwindsorhistory.hom.att.net for more information.

Mike Salvatore, EWHS at 644-1121

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Broad Brook Volunteer Fire Department

CARNIVAL & FIREWORKS DISPLAY

The Broad Brook Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank each and every patron who donated to the 2004 Fireworks Display. We appreciate your support!

HOME FIRE SAFETY

SMOKE ALARMS: What You Should Know

In the 1960's, the average U. S. citizen had never heard of a smoke alarm. By 1995, an estimated 93 percent of all American homes - single - and multi- family, apartments, nursing homes, dormitories, etc. - were equipped with alarms. By the mid 1980's, smoke alarm laws, requiring that alarms be placed in all new and existing residences existed in 38 states and thousands of municipalities nationwide.

The impact of smoke alarms on fire safety and protection is dramatic and can be simply stated. When fire breaks out, the smoke alarm, functioning as an early warning system, reduces the risk of fatalities by nearly 50 percent. Alarms are most people's first line of defense against fire.

In the event of a fire, properly installed and maintained smoke alarms will provide an early warning signal to your household. This alarm could save your own life and those of your loved ones by providing the chance to escape.

Why should my home have smoke alarms?



In the event of a fire, a smoke alarm can save your life and those of your loved ones. They are the single most important means of preventing house and apartment fire fatalities by providing an early warning signal -- so you and your family can escape. Smoke alarms are one of the best safety features

you can buy and install to protect yourself, your family and your home.

Where do I put the smoke alarms?



Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, including the basement. Many fatal fires begin late at night or in the early morning. For extra safety, install smoke alarms both inside and outside the sleeping area.

Also, smoke alarms should be installed on the ceiling or 6 to 8 inches below the ceiling on side walls. Since smoke and many deadly gases rise, installing your smoke alarms at the proper level will provide you with the earliest warning possible. Always follow the manufacturer's installation instructions.

What if the alarm goes off while I'm cooking?

Then it's doing its job. Do not disable your smoke alarm if it alarms due to cooking or other non-fire causes. You may not remember to put the batteries back in the alarm after cooking. Instead, clear the air by waving a towel near the alarm, leaving the batteries in place. The alarm may have to be moved to a new location.

How long will my smoke alarm last?

About eight-to-ten years, after which it should be replaced. Like most electrical devices, smoke alarms wear out. You may want to write the purchase date with a marker on the inside of your unit. That way, you'll know when to replace it. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for replacement

Source: http://usfa.fema.gov/public/hfs/alarms.shtm Please visit our website for more information and upcoming events at http://www.broadbrook.org

Torch Light Parade will be held sometime in December. Look in your Local Newspapers for the date to be announced.

Christina Long, Department Secretary

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Senior Services

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Our Foxwoods trips will be, Tuesday November 2nd. Package includes \$10.00 food credit, \$15.00 Keno coupon, transportation and drivers tip. Your cost is \$15.00. Please call the center to sign up.



Our regular full summer hiatus. Some of the programs beginning in September are Yoga classes and our popu-

lar ACTIVE Exercise class Please stop in the center to pick up a calendar and to sign up for your class.

discuss any loss. Call the center for information on dates and times.

with Police Chief Ed Demarco.

exercise pro- October 19th & 20th we will be offergrams are in ing our semi annual AARP Safe Driv- Please stop in the center anytime Monday again after the the center or call to register.

> Our Annual Flu Clinic will be held on Wednesday Oct. 27th from 9:30 a.m. -12:30 a.m. Please look for more information as the date gets closer.

Monthly Socials are held on the 4th town buildings. Thursday of the month and feature live entertainment.

Transportation services is a "by appointment only" program serving the Director of Senior Services Our Bereavement support group also needs of those 60 years of age or older

beginning again this September. This (or otherwise eligible) for medical apimportant group helps those who have pointments/Daily living needs. Appointhad a recent loss or feel they need to ments can be made by calling 292-8261.

Our Nutrition program offers a hot nutritious lunch from CRT for a nominal cost Our October Community Conversa- of \$2.00 Monday - Friday in our Senior tions will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 5th Community Café. Reservations must be made at least a day in advance by calling 292-8279.

swing ers Course (55 Alive) please stop in - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. to pick up a current calendar. We are located at 125 Main Street, Broad Brook or call 292-8262. For you computer gurus we can be reached on the web at www.eastwindsorct.gov. For your convenience, calendars & program events are posted throughout

Laura Clynch.

East Windsor Veterans Commission

By the time you are reading this it will be Autumn and feel a chill in the air. Spring and Summer will be but a memory, a good one I hope!

Memorial Day was a beautiful day for a parade, and this years' parade was a success; an enthusiastic crowd came out to watch the Veterans march and to pay tribute to our fallen Heroes.



Next on our agenda is the 5th Annual 5k Road Race scheduled for November 6, 2004 to begin at 10:00 a.m. sharp. Come out and join the fun and run or walk, everyone is invited. If your not interested in running or walking we can always use volunteers before, during and after the race with various activities. Visit us at www.eastwindsor-ct.gov for more information on the

road race and registration forms.

We would also like to remind everyone to consider making a donation of \$35.00 to replace some of the flags along Main Street in Broad Brook and Warehouse Point. The flag donation can be donated in memory of anyone you feel is worthy.

We would be remiss if we did not thank all of the men and women who are serving their country in uniform today, and we thank also all of the veterans in East Windsor.

Warren S. Wenz, Chairman

The Soldier's, Sailor' and Marines' fund mission is to provide temporary financial assistance to meet, or assist in meeting, the health and maintenance requirements of eligible veterans who demonstrate need through the provision of food, apparel, shelter, fuel, utilities, medical care and burial expenses. for info. call Fred McDermott at 794-0786.

Parade Flag Coupon

Send \$35.00 donation checks to: East Windsor Veteran's Commission. Town of East Windsor, P.O. Box 389, Broad Brook, CT. 06016

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Park and Recreation Department

The Recreation Department has been incredibly busy this summer and what a beautiful summer. We would like to thank our staff for all their hard work as well as the wonderful patrons who attended and participated in activities at the East Windsor Park. We look forward to next year. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the residents who attended the East Windsor Park and Recreation Departments first Summer Concert Series. The feedback was very positive and all the concerts were well attended. A very special thank you to all of our Sponsors for not only making these concerts a reality but for contributing to their success. These sponsors were: Al's Beverage Co., Herb Holden Trucking Inc., Leidertafel Singing Society, Scorpion Fasteners Inc., Swedes Jewelers and USA Hauling and Recycling Inc

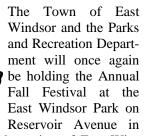
The Recreation Department is now

focusing on their fall and winter activities. We are in the process of planning our on-going programs



such as: Tennis lessons, Dance, Exercise, Street hockey, Dog Training, Ceramics Classes and others. We are also working on special events such as a Halloween celebration on Friday, October 22nd, a Wreath Decorating Contest and the House Lighting Contest. We will also be planning trips to places such as Radio City and the Newport Holiday Tour of the Mansions. Along

with family trips to the Enfield Twin Rinks.



the Broad Brook section of East Windsor. The festivities take place on Saturday, September 25th, rain date Saturday, October 2nd from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. As in past years we will be providing a section for craftsmen and vendors to display or sell their products. These spots will be approximately 12 x 12ft. With participants providing their own tables and chairs. The fee for the space is \$25.00. Area vendors and craftsmen interested in participating are encouraged to contact the Parks and Recreation office for the necessary pa-



perwork..
This year
we are again
planning to
have the car
show in
conjunction

with a variety of other entertainers. There will be plenty of live music provided by Higher Ground and friends, caricaturist, magician, D.J., pony rides, Game Show Mania, tractor rides and more. Other fun filled festivities will be sports activities such as basketball, hockey and soccer contests. again is the popular Scare Crow Con-For more information on the test. scare crow contest look for flyers which will be distributed through the school system. We are hopeful this years' advent will be a huge success. If you are interested in volunteering or participating in this event, please call the Recreation Department Office at 860-627-6662.

We welcome your ideas, comments or suggestions. Please feel free to call our office anytime or stop by.

Donna Winn, Director
Parks & Recreation

East Windsor Registrars of Voters

News from the Registrars of Voters Office in regards to the November 2, 2004 Presidential Election.

Tuesday, October 19th is the cut-off date to register to vote in this election. Those who become eligible after October 19th due to age, citizenship or residence may register to vote at the Town Hall on Monday November 1st from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Extra registration sessions will be held on Saturday, October 16th from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the

Town Hall and Tuesday, October 19th from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex as well as 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.



Absentee ballots will be available at the Town Clerks Office after October 1st. You may contact the Town Clerk at 860-292-8255.

District 1 (west of the Scantic River) vote at the Town Hall annex.

District 2 (east of the Scantic River) vote at the Town Hall

If you have any question, please call either Marilyn Rajala at 860-623-1334 or Linda Sinsigallo at 860-623-8373.

Marilyn Rajala Linda Sinsigallo

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Human Services

Back To School THANK YOU!

The outpouring of generosity for the Back to School Programs was exceptional from our East Windsor businesses, our citizens, and our churches.



The spirit of giving was evident in the form of school supplies monetary donations. This bounti-

ful giving gave children and families a sense of membership in their community. Thank you all again for your generosity, caring and concern.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Local Organization are in need of Volunteers! Do you have time on your hands? People of all ages are welcome to come and volunteer. Please consider calling one of the organizations listed and offering vour time. Keep in mind that these volunteering options are ongoing through the year, but please do call the listed telephone numbers before you go to the site in the



event that scheduling changed.

Pauline's Stock Pot Kitchen, contact is Rev. Marion Grant @ 623-0198.

unteering consists of setting up, serving and cleaning 2 or 3 times per month for the free dinner program offered by Wesley United Methodist Church.

Connecticut Trolley Museum, contact is Barbara Grimaldi @ 627-6540. Volun-



teering consists of Trolley Operator, gift shop stocking and clerking, carpentry and mechanical opportunities. The Trolley Museum is

located at 58 North Road, East Windsor.

Elizabeth Burns, Human Services Coordinator

East Windsor Police Explorers



the time explorers are ready to begin their careers, they already know what they are getting into. Explorers learn the facts behind the laws, from those who know and enforce the law. Explorers get to see the legal process first-hand by becoming involved in the community, activities, traffic control assignments The Police Department strives to educate and D.U.I. checkpoints. In addition to all the young adults of the community in the

their future before they actually law, juvenile law, and crowd control. In courtesy. get there. Explorers get to learn the month of September our Explorers will all about law enforcement. By be receiving training in CPR and first aid.

> The Explorers are involved. They will take what they have learned and apply it in many ways to help their communities. Explorers patrol with the Police Officers 292-8240 ext. 343. and assist at neighborhood activities.

The Police Explorers are young this, Explorers receive training from the law enforcement profession. As a direct men and women, ages 14 - 21, East Windsor Police Department in alcohol extension of the Department, the Explorers who want to take a glimpse of awareness and D.U.I. prevention, narcotics will serve our community with respect and

> Any young women and men, who reside in the East Windsor community interested in joining the Police Explorers Post #047 call the East Windsor Police Department and speak with Officer Marisol Flores #167 at

Marisol Flores,

East Windsor Police Officer

American Heritage River Commission

The responsibilities of the American Heritage River commission are to promote awareness and appreciation of the Connecticut River and its tributaries as both a historical and recreational resource for the residents of the Town of East Windsor.

Several members of the commission were actively involved in the reactivation of the Scantic River Watershed Association whose mission is to protect and preserve the natural resources of the Scantic River Watershed. In close association with the Watershed Association, the River Commission will work toward protecting water quality and reduce runoff bearing soil contaminants, manage bank erosion, and free the river of trash and lit-

The next event for the commission is the Source to Sea Cleanup. Local groups are organizing to participate in the clean up which is scheduled for Sat., Oct. 2nd from 9 - 12:00 p.m. The meeting place is the Water Pollution Facility Parking Lot on South Water Street. At 9:00 a.m. you will be instructed to go to your assigned area to begin. Andrea Donlon, CRWC's River

Steward explained, "The goal of the Source to Sea Cleanup is to have hundreds of local volunteers working together to haul trash from the river's shallows and pick up trash from the shoreline. It's a great way to get folks involved in conserving our beautiful river and watershed right at home." To find out about joining cleanup crews working in East Windsor or to make a donation of cash or supplies, for example; (bottled water, fruits, donuts, snack foods, rakes, heavy duty garbage bags, gloves) call Peter Wielhower, Vice Chairman at 623-8385 or Richard Sherman, Chairman at 623-2081.

Richard Sherman, Chairman

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Human Services

ConnPACE

ConnPACE is a state program that helps eligible senior or disabled Connecticut residents pay for certain prescription drugs, insulin, and insulin syringes. There is an annual registration fee of \$30.00. Participants pay \$16.25 for each prescription and ConnPACE pays the rest. The **NEW IN-COME LIMITS** for ConnPACE are:

Single Person \$20,800 Married Couple \$28,100

Apply now if you are disabled and receiving Social Security benefits or are age 65 or older. If you have any questions or need assistance with completing the application, pleas contact East Windsor Human Services at 860-623-2430.



Energy Assistance:

Do you need help paying home heating bill? Get ready for the 2004/2005 energy season by gathering your necessary income and asset information for the year 2004. Important documents are: copies of your 2004 utility bills, (4) consecutive weekly pay stubs, Social Security and

Pension or Veterans benefits, dividends and interest statements and rent verification. Appointments for energy applications can be made starting, October 18, 2004, by calling East Windsor Human Services (860) 623-2430.

Cox Regional Cable Advisory Council:

News from your Cox Regional Cable Advisory Council representatives Elizabeth Burns and Scott Riach. The advisory council has created a forum at http://www/coxct.com/formm that can serve as a mechanism for providing the council with public input on topics and issues concerning the cable television franchise serving our community. Example of topics

for this forum include and are not limited to public access, programming, technology, high speed internet and digital telephone. Please visit this forum, we welcome your comments and feedback on your cable interests. The public is invited to attend the next Cable Advisory meeting on Wednesday, November 17, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at Cox Communication, 5 Nibbick Road, Enfield, Connecticut.

The Holiday Season 2004:



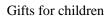
Thanksgiving and Christmas Season will be with us soon. Your participation would be greatly appreciated in the following areas:

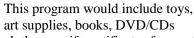
Holiday Food Baskets Items such as Turkeys, potatoes, stuffing mixes, gravies, cranberry sauces, cake, brownie and bread mixes.

Christmas Programs

Adopt a Family Program

Your church, your organization or your family can participate in this worthwhile program.





clothes or gift certificates for youth age 13 and under.

Please contact East Windsor Human Services at 623-2430 for more information and to register to **participate by** October 22, 2004.

Elizabeth Burns, Human Services Coordinator

ATTENTION EAST WINDSOR RESIDENTS:



THE SECOND CHANCE CLOTHES CLOSET CLEARENCE DAY IS Sunday, October 24, 2004 from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex, in the Auditorium. These clothing items are **FREE**; all you need to **BRING** is your **BAGS** to fill and take home these wonderful clothing items for you and your family members.

Second Chance Closet: Come and visit our FREE Second Chance Closet located at the Town Hall Annex, 25 School Street, East Windsor. We have a wonderful selection of gently used Men's, Ladies, Children's & Infant clothing as well as household goods. For more information and hours of operation, please call Human Services at (860) 623-2430. Volunteering consists of sorting, folding, hanging and organizing clothing and house wares. Volunteers are needed on Thursday evenings from 5 - 7 p.m.

Five Corner Cupboard:

Contact person is Dee @ 623-0669. Volunteering consists of stocking, bagging and carrying food items for people 2 days per week. Volunteers are most needed on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 - 11 a.m. We are located within the Scantic Congregational Church in East Windsor.

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AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2004

East Windsor Town Hall 11 Rve Street P.O. Box 389 Broad Brook, CT. 06016

Phone: 860-623-8122 Fax: 860-623-4798

If you would like your event listed in the next Town Newsletter, please submit in writing to: Newsletter, P.O. Box 389, Broad Brook, CT. 06016 or e-mail, jbrowne@eastwindsorct.com

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September 25 Annual Fall Festival

October 2 Rain Date

October 2 Source to Sea Project

9 - 12:00 p.m.

October 28 Flu Clinic (Annex) @

From 3 - 6 p.m.

Flu Clinic @ (Town Hall) November 9

From 9 - 1 p.m.

November 2 Election Day



November 6 5th Annual 5k Veteran's Day Road Race, the race

begins at 10:00 a.m. sharp

November 5,6, 7.12.13.14.19.

20 an 21st.

St. Martha Players presents Pippin a musical to remember! Fore tickets call 860-292-6068



The Town Treasurer's Office has a new home located at The High School, 76 South Main Street, East Windsor.

We can be reached at:

860-292-5909, or by email at

treasurer@mail.eastwindsorct.com.

Fall Leaf Pick-Up and Recycling

Beginning Autumn 2004 Waste Management will be taking over Leaf pick-up in East Windsor. The leaves will no longer be picked up by the Town Highway crew. Leaf pick-up will take place ONLY the week of December 6th - 10th. A later date was chosen to accommodate all residents. Leaves and brush are to be left curbside by 6:00 a.m. on your regular scheduled pickup day. Leaves MUST be in biodegradable bags and brush MUST be bundled and cut into 4 foot lengths and less than 6" in diameter. Waste Management will be picking up but not in their regular gar-



bage trucks, a special truck will pick these items up. Please remember this is not a bulky waste pick up. For a bulky pick up please call **282-0432**.

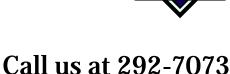


Christmas tree pick up will take place the week of January 3rd -7th, 2005 this year. Trees must be cut in two pieces and not wrapped in any type of plastic. Please place at curbside by 6:00 a.m. on your regular trash day.

A Reminder that recycling bins for new residents are available in

the Tax Collectors office at town hall. If you need to replace your recycling bin for any reason there is a \$6.00 fee.

WASTE MANAGEMENT 282-0432!



Public Works

Its only the end of September, but its never to early to think about Mailbox survival. Snow thrown against a mailbox is often sufficient to cause damage to a less than perfect installation. Moisture content of the snow varies between storms, the higher the moisture content the heavier the snow will be. This snow, mixed with the snowmelt caused by salt and traffic may be tentimes as heavy.

Help Us Help You:

Inspect your mailbox post for age, cracks, dry rot and deterioration at the bottom where the post goes into the ground. Posts with cracks, dry rot, or deterioration at the bottom are likely to fail when wet snow hits them.

Keep in mind that the larger the mailbox the more square inches of area is exposed to the force of the snow. A larger more sturdy post and mount are needed to support the load.

Decorative posts turned on a lathe to make them round in places reduces the strength of the post. They will not withstand the twisting torque motion caused is usually a split along the grain of the wood starting at the support arm or at one of the narrowest points.

Heavy snow coming off the plow blade will often knock over and damage mailboxes that haven't been adequately mounted or braced; or those mailboxes whose doors have been left open. Also private contractors, homeowners clearing snow, errant motorists, etc., damage mailboxes. The town will not compensate for mailboxes in these situations.

The town will compensate for a damaged mailbox when the Director of Public Works, or his designee, determines that a plow physically hit the mailbox. This determination is made by observation of cut marks, paint off the plow blade etc.

Len Norton, Dir. of Public Works